



MINUTES

**Regular Commission Meeting
Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center
4126 Executive Drive, La Jolla, CA 92037
Friday, August 22, 2008**

Commissioners Present

Colette Carson-Royston, Chair	Judy McDonald
Claire Anderson	Bennett Peji
Garet Clark	Victoria Reed
Courtney Ann Coyle	Randy Robbins
Robert Gleason	Lorin Stewart
Dea Hurston	
Lewis Klein	

Commissioners Absent

Joanne Hayakawa

Chair Colette Carson Royston called the regular meeting of the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture (Commission) to order at 8:35 a.m.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Chair Colette Carson Royston welcomed Commission members, staff and guests to the meeting. Colette thanked Board President Michael Flaster from the Lawrence Family Jewish community Center for hosting the meeting. Mr. Flaster welcomed the Commissioners and gave a briefing on the center's events and activities.

II. CHAIR'S REPORT

A. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the July 18, 2008 regular meeting of the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture. Robert Gleason and Courtney Ann Coyle abstained from the vote as they were not present at the July 18, 2008 meeting. **The motion carried unanimously.**

B. Announcements

Chair Colette Carson Royston called for a motion to remove Agenda Item IV.A. from an action item to a discussion item. Courtney Ann Coyle **made the motion.** Randy Robbins seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

1. City Council Budget Committee Report - Colette announced that Council President Scott Peter's proposal which would amend the Municipal Code to require that three cents of the City's 10 ½ cent TOT levy be used solely for the purposes of promotion, while one cent be designated for promoting arts and culture, was unanimously passed by the City Council Budget Hearing on July 23, 2008 and will move on to the City Council for consideration. Colette introduced Council President Scott Peters, who joined the meeting, and he gave a brief update on this proposal and expressed his appreciation to the Commissioners for their work and support of arts and culture throughout the City of San Diego.

C. Organizational Support Program (OSP) and Creative Communities San Diego (CCSD) panel recommendations - Garek Clark **made a motion** to approve the OSP and CCSD panel recommendations. Judy McDonald seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

D. Conflict of Interest Code Amendment - Victoria Hamilton gave a brief overview of the additional revisions made to the Conflict of Interest Code. Courtney Ann Coyle **made a motion** to approve the revised Conflict of Interest Code with the additional revisions that were discussed. Garek Clark seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

E. 20th Anniversary Update - Dea Hurston reported on the Museum of Photographic Arts event to be held on Friday, **October 10, 2008**, at 5:00 p.m., that will also recognize the 20th Anniversary of the Commission. She said that the La Jolla Music Society will also honor the Commission's 20th Anniversary and the celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Founding of the State of Israel at their 40th Anniversary Season Gala on Saturday, **November 22, 2008**.

III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. Update on 2015 Centennial Celebration

Victoria Hamilton reported that Mayor Jerry Sanders, Councilmember Toni Atkins and the Mayor's Cultural Special Project Liaison Iris Strauss will host a community engagement forum of stakeholders on September 3, 2008 to strategize on the 2015 Balboa Park Centennial celebration.

B. Announcements

Victoria introduced Sachin Kalbag, Senior Urban Designer, and Philip Bono, Assistant Vice President of Architecture and Planning, from the Centre City Development Corporation (CCDC) who gave a brief powerpoint presentation on the Center City Lighting Project.

IV. POLICY COMMITTEE UPDATE

Bennett Peji reminded Commissioners that this agenda item was changed to a discussion item from an action item. He gave a brief powerpoint presentation on the revised recommended changes to the Acknowledgement Policy and Guidelines. After discussion it was decided that the Commission will hold another community forum for additional discussion and input. Public comment was made by Libby Schiff, Deputy Director of Institutional Development, from the San Diego Natural History Museum.

V. PUBLIC ART COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Approve Recommendation to Deaccession Artwork

Christine Jones gave a powerpoint presentation on the artworks being recommended for deaccessioning, *Sea Gods* and *Ocean Dreams* by the artist team of Jill Moon and Matthew Welsh, which are located in the Newport Avenue parking lot near the Ocean Beach pier. Chair Colette Carson Royston requested that the motion be bifurcated so that the discussion of each artwork will be taken separately.

Claire Anderson **made a motion** to approve the deaccession and disposal of the *Ocean Dreams* mural as recommended by the Public Art Committee and directs Commission staff to involve the Park and Recreation Department staff and the Ocean Beach community in a discussion about the treatment of the wall. Dea Hurston seconded the motion. **The motion carried unanimously.**

The recommendation to deaccession and dispose of the artwork *Sea Gods* was postponed, pending further research into conservation by Commission staff. Victoria Hamilton will make the final decision whether to deaccession and dispose of a City-owned artwork based on the recommendations from the Commission and its Public Art Committee.

B. Public Art Updates

Randy Robbins reported that a new public artwork titled *Landsailers* has been installed by local artist Neal Bociek. Christine Jones gave a brief powerpoint presentation on the project.

Victoria Reed gave a brief update on the Port of San Diego's Coronado Bridge Project, reporting that the selection panel for the San Diego-Coronado Bay Bridge Lighting project has recommended three teams as finalists to design a signature artwork on the bridge. The three teams are the Bideau Company of Ballan-Mire, France; the Peter Fink team of London, UK; and the team of Ned Kahn/ Patrick McNerney Associates/ Jason Edling of California. The two alternate teams selected include Leni Schwendinger of New York City, and Grenald Waldron & Associates with Ray King of Narberth, Pennsylvania.

Courtney Ann Coyle reported that the Urban Trees 5, with 31 artworks, was officially dedicated and unveiled on August 2, 2008 and that the Art Playground project at the

Cesar Chavez Park in Barrio Logan has been completed. She also reported that the Port's newly restructured Public Art Committee will meet in September 2008 with three new Port Commissioner members – Laurie Black (as Chair), Robert Valderrama and Mike Najera as well as three new at-large members – Jess Van Deventer, Sheryl Rosander and Donna Long Knierim.

VI. ADVOCACY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

A. Council President Scott Peters' Proposal - Robert Gleason gave a more detailed overview of Council President Scott Peter's proposal, discussed earlier under Chair Carson Royston's report, amending the Municipal Code to require that three cents of the City's 10 ½ cent TOT levy be used solely for the purposes of promotion, while one cent be designated for promoting arts and culture. He also discussed the work the committee is doing with the San Diego Regional Arts and Culture Coalition, messaging the need for this proposal.

B. Characteristics of CCDC Chief Operating Officer (COO) - Robert Gleason reported that the Centre City Development Corporation (CCDC) is interested in receiving input on the leadership transition and qualities for their new Chief Operating Officer. He said that the Commission will address the interest of the arts and culture community's in responding to this request by sending a letter which would include the desire for someone who views arts and culture as a critical component, has experience in working with arts organizations and in partnerships and exhibits quality teamwork.

VII. VISIBILITY UPDATE

A. Commission Meeting Schedule

Claire Anderson announced that the next Commission meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 17, 2008, at the Market Creek Plaza/Joe & Vi Jacobs Center, 404 Euclid Avenue, San Diego, CA 92114. Claire distributed a list of locations where the Commission has met in the past year and suggestions for future meeting locations. She would appreciate the Commissioners input/suggestions for future meeting locations.

B. Goodwill Visits Report Out

Claire reported on a goodwill visit that she and Joanne Hayakawa completed at the San Diego Young Artists Music Academy. She also distributed a list of various arts and culture organizations so Commissioners can sign up for additional goodwill visits.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment was made by:

1. Dalouge Smith, San Diego Youth Symphony and Chair of the San Diego Regional Arts and Culture Coalition.

2. Todd Schultz – The Old Globe.
3. Sherri Lightner, Council District 1 Candidate.
4. Christopher Beach, La Jolla Music Society.
5. Seema Sueko, Mo'olelo Performing Arts Company.

XIII. ADJOURN COMMISSION MEETING

Chair Colette Carson Royston adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

GUESTS:

Michael Flaster
Kathryn Martin
Dalouge Smith
Todd Schultz
Sherri Lightner
Christopher Beach
Seema Sueko
Rebecca Rader
Elizabeth Castillo
Philip Bona
Sachin Kalbag
Sandra Kraus
Ferdinand Gasang
Jim Musgrove
Darcy Ashley
Joey Landwehr
Ana Kozlowski
Shera Rosenthal
Libby Schiff